



PROPOSAL EVALUATION

IRWM Grant Program – Local Groundwater Assistance, FY 2012-2013

Applicant	Water Replenishment District of Southern California	County	Los Angeles
		Grant Request	\$ 248,320.00
Project Title	Montebello Forebay Recharge Enhancement Study	Total Project Cost	\$ 248,320.00

Project Description: The Proposal assesses the capability of the Montebello Forebay Spreading Grounds to capture and recharge additional, locally-available water. Analysis of groundwater extraction and replenishment scenarios assess quantified amount of recycled water and stormwater that can be conserved.

Evaluation Summary:

Scoring Criterion	Score
GWMP or Program	5
Technical Adequacy of Work to be Performed	4
Work Plan	6
Budget	3
Schedule	5
QA/QC	3
Past Performance	5
Geographical Balance	0
Total Score	31

- **GWMP or Program:** The proposed project is located in the adjudicated Central Basin. The applicant provides the URL to the latest version of the Adjudication judgment.
- **Technical Adequacy of Work to be Performed:** This criterion is fully addressed but not thoroughly documented. The proposed study is located in the Montebello Forebay section of the Central groundwater Basin and will update a groundwater model developed as part of an earlier Recharge Optimization Study of the Montebello spreading grounds, re-calibrate the model to reflect current operating conditions and assess ability of the spreading grounds to conserve additional local stormwater and recycled water. Applicant provides information on the previous, but related, study of the Forebay and justification for the current proposal. The outreach process that will be used to inform stakeholders is described. However, benefits to groundwater management and value of knowledge gained are not adequately documented.
- **Work Plan:** This criterion is not fully addressed and documentation is incomplete. The work plan provides tasks that will accomplish the proposed project. However, the work plan does not fully document project management and administration of the grant which would include development of reimbursement requests and quarterly progress reports to DWR. The listing of deliverables also seems incomplete. While the applicant has a well-established outreach process in place that will be used to disseminate information, no actions are included in the work plan for outreach. Also, the work plan is not consistent with the schedule because submission of quarterly reports is included in the schedule but not listed in the work plan.
- **Budget:** This criterion is not fully addressed and documentation is incomplete. The applicant provides the rates and number of hours for different classifications. However, the applicant does not address how project management will be funded; only provides explanation for management of the technical consultant.
- **Schedule:** This criterion is fully addressed and documentation is complete. The project schedule is detailed and complete. The applicant will be ready to proceed once funding becomes available and is scheduled to complete the project within the two year time frame. The scheduling of tasks is reasonable; however, the applicant does not discuss how obstacles will be overcome to meet scheduling needs.



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- **QA/QC:** This criterion is not fully addressed and documentation is incomplete and insufficient. For example, applicant does not present well-defined QA/QC measures that will be used. In addition, applicant does not adequately discuss procedural assurances on a task by task basis that will ensure that a high quality product is achieved.
- **Past Performance:** This criterion is fully addressed with thorough and well-presented documentation. The applicant has received similar grants from other state and federal agencies and two from DWR including one that was completed in June 2012 and the others still ongoing. The applicant provided the reason for time extension and demonstrated project management experience.